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Re: Request for Refund to Attorney Deposit Account No. 08-0380, with regard to U.S. Patent Application No.: 10/611,310
Title: "Methods of Testing for Allergic Diseases and Therapeutic Agents for Treating Same" (as amended)

Inventors: Ryoichi Hashida, Shinji Kagaya, Yuji Sugita and Hirohisa

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Confirmation No.: 3981 Group Art Unit: 1647

Our Docket No.: 3462.1004-000

Dear Sir:

The February 2006 statement for Attorney's Deposit Account 08-0380 indicates that on February 6, 2006, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) charged \$180 for filing an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) for the above-referenced patent application. Applicants' Attorney believes that this charge has been made in error.

In an Office Action dated August 4, 2005, the Examiner requested Applicants' Attorney to submit a clean copy of the PTO-1449 form so that it could be signed. Copies of the first page and page 2 of this Action, with the Examiner's request circled in red, are enclosed.

On February 3, 2006, Applicants' Attorney mailed an Amendment to the USPTO, under a Certificate of Mailing, and submitted a clean copy of form PTO-1449 that had been previously submitted on June 17, 2004, so that the Examiner could sign it and thereby indicate that references AM, AO and AQ had been fully considered. Copies of the first page, page 14 of the Amendment, and the first page of the PTO-1149 form are enclosed. The portion of the Amendment relating to the submission of the clean copy of form PTO-1440 has been circled. The date of "June 14, 2004" on page 1 of form PTO-1449 has also been circled.



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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 4, 2005 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows:

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Information Disclosure Statement

As requested by the Examiner, Applicants are submitting a clean copy of the IDS submitted on 6/17/2004 so that the Examiner can sign and indicate that references AM, AO and AQ have been fully considered.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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